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KITCHEN OF THE MONTH

In Perfect Harmony

For this year's Kips Bay Decorator Show House, designer Matthew Quinn conjures a masterful, convivial mix.

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Inspired by the blue-gray veining on the Silestone countertops, designer Matthew Quinn chose blue-gray subway tile and then warmed up the cool colors and the stainless steel appliances with brass trim. "It's a feminine touch, like the pretty mullions on the armoires, and it balances the masculine dark woods so the kitchen appeals to everyone," he says. "People kept telling me, 'Put a bed in this room and I could live here.'"

Feminine touches, handsome details

1 LIGHT FANTASTIC
Luna Globe pendants from Downtown make a statement. Track lighting is for tasks. And whimsical polished nickel, brass, and acrylic "organ pipes" hang from the tops of the windows and sparkle, interspersed with LED puck lights.

2 BRASS DETAILS
There's a warm gleam to the brass trim on the cast-limestone hood, the brass hardware on the stainless steel cabinets flanking the Dacor range, and the brass faucets by Quinn for Rubinet. "Putting something warm on something cool works so well."

3 MOODY BLUES
The dark color of Pratt & Larson's Rustic tile sets off the hood, and its large scale—6 by 10 inches—suits the large room. Instead of merely doing a backsplash, Quinn ran the tile up to the ceiling. "It feels more like a French bistro this way. I love that look."

4 ISLAND HOPPING
The 5-by-11-foot island not only changes levels but also materials to make it look less massive. The walnut counter by Grothouse Lumber is on casters; it can be moved anywhere to become a separate buffet.

5 SEAMLESS SINKS
Twin sinks at either end of the island, made out of the same Helix Silestone as the countertop, free up the center. "It's a modern twist on an old farmhouse sink, and they look monumental, which adds a hint of antiquity." >>

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1. COUNTERTOP
By Cosentino. Nebula Code in Helix with Suede finish. From $58 per sq. ft. **silestoneusa.com**

2. RANGE
Discovery iQ 48″ Dual-Fuel Range. $11,999. **dacor.com**

3. TIERED TRAY
Presidio Silver Plate Tiered Stand. $125. **williams-sonoma.com**

4. KNOBS AND PULLS
By Matthew Quinn for Rubinet. Cabinet hardware in Antique Brass and Polished Nickel. Knob, $60; Pull, $80. **matthewquinncollection.com**

5. SOFA
Simply Put sofa in Tuxedo Black finish. $2,995. **caracole.com**

6. WINE REFRIGERATOR
The first restaurant-quality preservation system for the home. Discovery WineStation. $5,299. **dacor.com**

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